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## REQUEST TO ESTABLISH SMALL ENTITY STATUS, ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.27(a)(1) and 1.27(c) AND REQUEST FOR REFUND UNDER 37 CFR § 1.28(a)

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention:

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Sir:

Attorneys for Applicants request that Small Entity Status be established in the aboveidentified application, and submit that, since all rights in and to the above-identified application reside in the University of Virginia Patent Foundation, non-profit organization and its licensee Direct Gene, a small business concern, who have not assigned or transferred and are under no obligation to assign or transfer any rights in the invention to any one else who would not also qualify as a Small Entity, status as a small entity is appropriate.

A fee for a Petition of Extension of Time of \$ 920.00 was timely paid on November 14, 2002 in connection with the above-identified application, from Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150, of which \$ 460.00 is in excess of the amount now required. Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.28(a), Applicants request a refund of the excess amount of 460.00 be credited to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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